# United States District Court Eastern District of New York

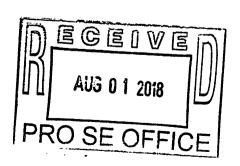
GERZHGORIN		• •	
Write the full name of each plaintiff.	(Include case number if one has been assigned)  Dearcy Hall, J.		
-against-	Do you want a jury	•	
SELFHELP COMMUNITY SERVICES INC	⊠ Yes □ N	KUO, M.J.	
Write the full name of each defendant. The names listed			

# EMPLOYMENT DISCRIMINATION COMPLAINT

above must be identical to those contained in Section I.

### NOTICE

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### I. PARTIES

## A. Plaintiff Information

Provide the following information for each plaintiff named in the complaint. Attach additional pages if needed.

Oleg		Gerzhgorir	)	
First Name	Middle Initial	Last Name		
1818 Ave. L Apt. 4F				
Street Address				
Kings, Brooklyn	N	ΙΥ	11230	
County, City	St	ate	Zip Code	
(718) 913 6846	or	ngersh@yahoo	.com	
Telephone Number	Email Address (if available)			

## **B.** Defendant Information

To the best of your ability, provide addresses where each defendant may be served. If the correct information is not provided, it could delay or prevent service of the complaint on the defendant. Make sure that the defendants listed below are the same as those listed in the caption. (Proper defendants under employment discrimination statutes are usually employers, labor organizations, or employment agencies.) Attach additional pages if needed.

Defendant 1:	Selfhelp Commu	nityServices Inc.		
MAIN	Name 520 8th Avenue,			
OFFICE	Address where defend New York	dant may be served NY	10018	
	County, City	State	Zip Code	
Defendant 2:	RUSSIAN	HOCOCAUST	Survivors	Program
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	County, City	State	Zip Code	

Defendant 3:				
	Name			
	Address where defe	endant may be served		
	County, City	State	Zip Co	de
II. PLACE	OF EMPLOYMEN	т		
	which I was emplo caust Survivors	yed or sought employ Program	ment by the defend	ant(s) is:
Name 1818 Ave. L 4	4F			
Address Kings, Brook	klyn	NY	11218	
County, City		State	Zip Code	
III. CAUSE	OF ACTION			
A. Federal Cla	aims			
This employme		awsuit is brought und	ler (check only the op	tions below
	_	hts Act of 1964, 42 U.S on on the basis of race		
	defendant discriming and explain):	nated against me beca	use of my (check only	y those that
	race:			
	color:			
×	religion:	Jewish		
	sex:			
	national origin:			

		42 U.S.C. § 1981, for intentional employment discrimination on the basis of race		
		My race is:		
	X	Age Discrimination in Employment Act of 1967, 29 U.S.C. §§ 621 to 634, for employment discrimination on the basis of age (40 or older)  I was born in the year: 1962		
		<b>Rehabilitation Act of 1973</b> , 29 U.S.C. §§ 701 to 796, for employment discrimination on the basis of a disability by an employer that constitutes a program or activity receiving federal financial assistance		
		My disability or perceived disability is:		
		Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, 42 U.S.C. §§ 12101 to 12213, for employment discrimination on the basis of a disability		
		My disability or perceived disability is:		
		Family and Medical Leave Act of 1993, 29 U.S.C. §§ 2601 to 2654, for employment discrimination on the basis of leave for qualified medical or family reasons		
B.	Oth	ner Claims		
In a	addi	tion to my federal claims listed above, I assert claims under:		
		New York State Human Rights Law, N.Y. Exec. Law §§ 290 to 297, for employment discrimination on the basis of age, race, creed, color, national origin, sexual orientation, military status, sex, disability, predisposing genetic characteristics, marital status		
	×	New York City Human Rights Law, N.Y. City Admin. Code §§ 8-101 to 131, for employment discrimination on the basis of actual or perceived age, race, creed, color, national origin, gender, disability, marital status, partnership status, sexual orientation, alienage, citizenship status		
		Other (may include other relevant federal, state, city, or county law):		

# IV. STATEMENT OF CLAIM

# A. Adverse Employment Action

	efendant or defendants in this case took the following adverse employment s against me (check only those that apply):
	did not hire me
×	terminated my employment
	did not promote me
	did not accommodate my disability
C	provided me with terms and conditions of employment different from those of similar employees
×	retaliated against me
	harassed me or created a hostile work environment
	other (specify):
B. Fa	acts
State h	ere the facts that support your claim. Attach additional pages if needed. You should
explair	what actions defendants took (or failed to take) because of your protected
charac	teristic, such as your race, disability, age, or religion. Include times and locations, if
	le. State whether defendants are continuing to commit these acts against you.
Olea Ger	zhgorin, an Orthodox Jew, a son of a Holocaust survivor, a Russian native speaker who extensively studied
clinical in	iplications and intergenerational transmission of trauma in families of Holocaust survivors and who denied a lary offer from another agency at the time of coming to Selfhelp on July 3, 2017 has been terminated three
month lat	er on October 17.
	irst "fresh look" email about lack of cultural sensitivity he was blamed in accusing management of cultural
	ity and soon after was given a poor performance review in retaliation for giving constructive criticism. By after his second "fresh look" email he was discharged for "not fitting the program".
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with th	itional support for your claim, you may attach any charge of discrimination that you filed ne U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, the New York State Division of Rights, the New York City Commission on Human Rights, or any other government
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# V. ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES

For most claims under the federal employment discrimination statutes, before filing a lawsuit, you must first file a charge with the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC) and receive a Notice of Right to Sue.

Did you file a charge of discrimination against the defendant(s) with the EEOC or any other government agency?

	×	Yes (Please attach a copy of the charge	to this complaint.)		
		When did you file your charge? $\underline{N}$	March 2018		
		No			
Ha	ve yo	ou received a Notice of Right to Sue fro	m the EEOC?		
	×	Yes (Please attach a copy of the Notice	of Right to Sue.)		
		What is the date on the Notice?	May 8, 2018		
		When did you receive the Notice?	May 15, 2018		
		No			
VI.	F	RELIEF			
The	e reli	ief I want the court to order is (check onl	y those that apply):		
		☐ direct the defendant to hire me			
		☐ direct the defendant to re-employ me			
		direct the defendant to promote me			
		direct the defendant to reasonably accommodate my religion			
		direct the defendant to reasonably accommodate my disability			
	direct the defendant to (specify) (if you believe you are entitled to money damages, explain that here)				
	back pay, front pay, compensatory damages suffered because of discrimination and retaliation for injury resulting from loss of current and prospective income, emotional distress, loss of reputation, costs and reasonable attorneys' fees incurred with this lawsuit, other damages and further relief as deemed just, that Selfhelp stop answering employment inquiries or alternatively provide Mr. Gerzhgorin with truthful letters of recommendation regarding the quality of his work while at Selfhelp.				

## VII. PLAINTIFF'S CERTIFICATION

By signing below, I certify to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief that: (1) the complaint is not being presented for an improper purpose (such as to harass, cause unnecessary delay, or needlessly increase the cost of litigation); (2) the claims are supported by existing law or by a nonfrivolous argument to change existing law; (3) the factual contentions have evidentiary support or, if specifically so identified, will likely have evidentiary support after a reasonable opportunity for further investigation or discovery; and (4) the complaint otherwise complies with the requirements of Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 11.

I agree to notify the Clerk's Office in writing of any changes to my mailing address. I understand that my failure to keep a current address on file with the Clerk's Office may result in the dismissal of my case.

Each Plaintiff must sign and date the complaint. Attach additional pages if necessary. If seeking to proceed without prepayment of fees, each plaintiff must also submit an IFP application.

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Dated	Plaintiff's Signature			_
Oleg	g Gerzhgorin .			
First Name 1818 Ave. L Apt. 4F	Middle Initial		Last Name	_
Street Address				_
Brooklyn		NY	11230	
County, City		State	Zip Code	
(718) 913 6846			OMGERSH@YAHOO.COM	
Telephone Number		Email Address (if available)		
I have read the attached Pro  ☐ Yes ☐ No	Se (Nonprisoner	) Cons	nsent to Receive Documents Electronically:	
If you do consent to rec complaint. If you do no			onically, submit the completed form with your tattach the form.	

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	On behalf of person(s) eggrieved	<u>-</u>			
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520-2018-				(212) 336-37 <u>62</u>	
THE EEO	C IS CLOSING ITS FILE ON THIS CH			00	
	The facts alleged in the charge fail to sta	ite a ciaim under any or th	e statutes enforced by the EE	JC.	
	Your allegations did not involve a disabil	ity as defined by the Ame	ricans With Disabilities Act.		
	The Respondent employs less than the	required number of emplo	yees or is not otherwise cover	ed by the statutes.	
	Your charge was not timely filed with discrimination to file your charge	EEOC; in other words,	, you waited too long after t	the date(s) of the allege	
X	The EEOC issues the following determination: Based upon its investigation, the EEOC is unable to conclude the information obtained establishes violations of the statutes. This does not certify that the respondent is in compliance the statutes. No finding is made as to any other issues that might be construed as having been raised by this charge.				
The EEOC has adopted the findings of the state or local fair employment practices agency that investigated this char					
	Other (briefly state)				
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Discrimina You may file lawsuit must lost. (The ti  Equal Pay alleged EPA	e Americans with Disabilities Act, to tion in Employment Act: This will be a lawsuit against the respondent(s) at be filed WITHIN 90 DAYS of your me limit for filing suit based on a claim Act (EPA): EPA suits must be filed in a underpayment. This means that bacfile suit may not be collectible.	the only notice of disn under federal law base receipt of this notice under state law may be federal or state court w	nissal and of your right to sid on this charge in federal or your right to sue based a different.)  ithin 2 years (3 years for will	ue that we will send you or state court. Your on this charge will be	
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**U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission** EEOC FORM 131 (11/09) PERSON FILING CHARGE Oleg Gerzhgorin Mr. Kevin T. Byrne THIS PERSON (check one or both) **Vice President** Claims To Be Aggrieved SELFHELP COMMUNITY SERVICES, INC. 520 8th Avenue, 5th Floor is Filing on Behalf of Other(s) New York, NY 10018 EEOC CHARGE NO. 520-2018-02881 NOTICE OF CHARGE OF DISCRIMINATION (See the enclosed for additional information) This is notice that a charge of employment discrimination has been filed against your organization under: The Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) The Equal Pay Act (EPA) Title VII of the Civil Rights Act (Title VII) The Genetic Information Nondiscrimination Act (GINA) The Age Discrimination in Employment Act (ADEA) The boxes checked below apply to our handling of this charge: No action is required by you at this time. Please call the EEOC Representative listed below concerning the further handling of this charge. Please provide by a statement of your position on the issues covered by this charge, with copies of any supporting documentation to the EEOC 3. Representative listed below. Your response will be placed in the file and considered as we investigate the charge. A prompt response to this request will make it easier to conclude our investigation. Please respond fully by to the enclosed request for information and send your response to the EEOC Representative listed below. Your response will be placed in the file and considered as we investigate the charge. A prompt response to this request will make it easier to conclude our investigation. EEOC has a Mediation program that gives parties an opportunity to resolve the issues of a charge without extensive investigation or expenditure of resources. If you would like to participate, please say so on the enclosed form and respond by to If you DO NOT wish to try Mediation, you must respond to any request(s) made above by the date(s) specified there. For further inquiry on this matter, please use the charge number shown above. Your position statement, your response to our request for information, or any inquiry you may have should be directed to: **New York District Office** Mabel Tso, Investigator 33 Whitehall Street 5th Floor EEOC Representative New York, NY 10004 (212) 336-3762 Telephone Fax: (212) 336-3625 Copy of Charge Enclosure(s): CIRCUMSTANCES OF ALLEGED DISCRIMINATION Genetic Information National Origin Disability Retaliation Race Religion

### Addendum to Complaint, Gerzhgorin v. Selfhelp Community Services

- 1. The top executive Mr. Byrne, the program director Ms. Khachatryan and the social work supervisor Ms. Wooley who emphasized they are not Jewish created a "fit excuse" where Orthodox and observant Jews who are Russian native speakers, descendants of Holocaust survivors, highly educated, experienced and licensed (LMSW) social workers are still considered a bad cultural fit and either not hired or get fired after raising voice for their rights and rights of their clients observant Jews.
- Plaintiff Oleg Gerzhgorin, an Orthodox Jew, was hired by Selfhelp on 7/3/2017 and worked in a
  position of social worker at Russian Holocaust Survivors program before being terminated on
  10/17/2017.
- 3. Mr. Gerzhgorin's first level supervisor was Fakhriniso Wooley, social work supervisor; his second level supervisor was Mariam Khachatryan, director of Russian Holocaust Survivors Program.
- 4. Upon arrival at the Selfhelp, Mr. Gerzhgorin immediately began doing superlative work. He quickly engaged with clients to build rapport, developed a working relationship with coworkers and supervisors, shared ideas on how to improve the program where social workers were supposed to provide case management, supportive counseling and financial aid to Holocaust survivors.
- 5. When Ms. Khachatryan asked Mr. Gerzhgorin to bring on board a new catering and a bakery for social events, he used his spare time to find these who were eager to provide more choices for Holocaust survivors at traditional "Coffee house" events (not only chicken bottoms with farfel as they used to have).
- 6. Also Mr. Gerzhgorin was asked by Ms. Khachatryan and Ms. Wooley to facilitate a discussion of Jewish traditions at VCS (virtual senior center) for home bound people, play saxophone at social events, teach clients and coworkers to play chess what was not a part of his responsibilities.

- 7. At list twice, Ms. Khachatryan encouraged Mr. Gerzhgorin by saying: "You are doing a great job" after he was putting in discretionary effort and volunteering to take on extra tasks and responsibilities.
- 8. Since being Mr. Gerzhgorin's supervisor, Ms. Wooley treated him differently from similarly situated employees like Sevinch Babajanova and Inessa Matevosyan who were not Jewish. She required Mr. Gerzhgorin to send her a carbon copy of all his email messages and often invited him to lengthy case supervision sessions which she conducted in her office behind closed doors.
- Ms. Wooley did not ask other social workers to carbon-copy her on emails and had short supervision sessions with them with the door open.
- 10. Circa August 8, 2017, Mr. Gerzhgorin was criticized for not attending a non-kosher restaurant to celebrate Ms. Wooley's birthday, even though he emailed his heartfelt wishes in advance. Upon information and belief, his following the Jewish dietary laws of kashrut was ridiculed by supervisors and coworkers at such birthday parties taking place during regular business hours.
- 11. Circa September 14, 2017, Mr. Gerzhgorin notified Ms. Wooley that he was going to use his accrued vacation time to take Jewish holidays off. Ms. Wooley responded that the agency "recognizes" only High holidays and no employee allowed to take a day off on a "statistics day" when the entire department prepares a monthly statistical report. Mr. Gerzhgorin's request for days off was approved only after he emphasized that, as an observant Jew, he was prohibited to work during Jewish holidays and it was nonnegotiable.
- 12. Circa September 25, 2017, Mr. Gerzhgorin sent Ms. Wooley, who was supposed to hire musicians for social events, a "fresh look" email where he suggested that Jewish style music could be more appropriate during the period of Jewish holidays. As a former musician Mr. Gerzhgorin observed that music adds for the emotional state and many Holocaust survivors

- attending traditional "coffeehouse" were feeling disconnected when so-called "Gypsy style music" sounded.
- 13. Circa September 26, 2017, Ms. Wooley called Mr. Gerzhgorin at her office to discuss his "fresh look" email. Mr. Gerzhgorin brought to her attention other examples of cultural insensitivity.
- 14. One of Mr. Gerzhgorin's clients Ms. Rakhil Minushkina has not been selected for a Berkshire Hills Eizenberg Camp summer retreat even though she applied on time. Instead, Ms. Wooley offered her a trip to a Russian ballet on Saturday. The client asked Mr. Gerzhgorin to notify Ms. Wooley that as an observant Jew she can't desecrate Shabbat.
- 15. Indeed, many trips were scheduled close to Jewish holidays when observant clients couldn't attend. Also, observant clients have been feeling ashamed about wearing kippahs during social events and kept them in pockets out of fear not to be invited next time.
- 16. Likewise, Ms. Wooley failed to instruct social workers on how to handle kosher food delivery,

  Jewish holidays, grief/loss/bereavement questions clients ask. In one instance the case worker

  Sevinch Babajanova went into discussion with her client about "benefits" of cremation, not even asking the client if he knew that cremating is against the Jewish law.
- 17. Rather than address the situation, Ms. Wooley stated that she was fed up with Mr. Gerzhgorin's complaints which in her opinion tended to undermine her authority and called Mr. Gerzhgorin to Ms. Khachatryan's office where he was blamed in accusing management of cultural insensitivity.
- 18. When Mr. Gerzhgorin recommended a well-known musician, who sings Hebrew and Israeli songs, Ms. Wooley called him "too religious" and accused Mr. Gerzhgorin in trying to promote his friend. Thus, Ms. Wooley purposefully misconstrued the actual content of Mr. Gerzhgorin's email ridiculing his intents to improve the program.

- 19. Ms. Khachatryan told Ms. Wooley pointing at Mr. Gerzhgorin that "everything should be documented." Ms. Khachatryan tended to use this phrase before taking adverse action against critical thinkers who decided on their own what is right and just, and it sounded as a threat of retaliation.
- 20. After Ms. Wooley left Ms. Khachatryan continued her monologue making biased comments about Holocaust survivors: "I am not Jewish...", "They lost their faith after the Holocaust...", "When someone fell and passed out during the coffeehouse event at Ave. M they continued eating...", "They don't even know what Tu Bishvat is...", "They eat pork..."
- 21. Circa October 2, 2017, shortly after Mr. Gerzhgorin's "fresh look" email and a few months later after closely supervising his performance Ms. Wooley suddenly found "major issues" in his performance and sent Mr. Gerzhgorin an intimidating email criticizing him for promoting a person-centered approach by prioritizing tasks based on client's needs what had never been an issue before. Later Mr. Gerzhgorin was forced to remove culturally sensitive case notes from client's files and make more referrals without thorough psychosocial assessments. Thus, Ms. Wooley began documenting Mr. Gerzhgorin's "poor performance" shortly before his termination.
- 22. Circa October 10, 2017, Mr. Gerzhgorin brought Arba minim to a coffee house event which fell on the week of the Jewish holiday of Sukkot. Arba minim are four small plants considered the traditional symbols of Jewish unity as being relevant to Sukkot. Ms. Wooley didn't allow Mr. Gerzhgorin to communicate individually with each client stating, "they are not traditional" and "this thing is not a part of tradition." She followed Mr. Gerzhgorin from table to table recording his conversation with clients. When upon client's request, Mr. Gerzhgorin spoke into the microphone about meaning of Sukkot and Arba minim what symbolizes the importance of the unity of the people of Israel, clients clapped their hands.

- 23. Circa October 17, 2017, Mr. Gerzhgorin learned that Ms. Wooley left a misleading case note in Yusef Dobrinsky's file accusing Mr. Gerzhgorin in intentional delay of Starkey hearing aids referral without taking into consideration that the client had not fully recovered from ear infection. Ms. Wooley stated that Mr. Gerzhgorin "refused" to take the application which client brought to the social event. Ms. Wooley spread false information by deliberately holding back that Mr. Gerzhgorin communicated with Mr. Dobrinsky in front of Ms. Wooley during the last social event and she knew that the client had a portion of the application which a Starkey affiliated doctor were supposed to fill out during upcoming appointment. Thus, Ms. Wooley is deliberately intended to discredit plaintiff's qualification making him a victim of unlawful retaliation and reprisal for recent reports of discrimination based on religion.
- 24. On October 17, 2017 immediately following Mr. Gerzhgorin's second "fresh look at social work supervision" email Ms. Khachatryan discharged Mr. Gerzhgorin on a basis of being "not a good fit to the program." He was told to hand over his badge in front of his co-workers, escorted by Ms. Wooley to his desk and out of the building what didn't intend to preserve terminating employee's dignity. This procedure was extreme and outrageous and designed to cause the maximum impact of surprise and shock. Each of these episodes, individually and cumulatively, caused Mr. Gerzhgorin damage in the form of severe emotional distress, leaving him with feelings of tightness in his chest, sleepless, afraid for his future.
- 25. Circa October 17, 2017, defendant communicated to the rest of the company that the probation period has been reduced from 6 to 3 months and according to the new procedure all employment termination cases must be reviewed by a HR department.
- 26. Circa October 17, 2017 after being terminated Mr. Gerzhgorin requested a meeting with a vice president of HR Mr. Byrne to address lack of cultural sensitivity, person-centered approach at the program and the underlying issues that make Jewish clients and employees feel stigmatized

and discriminated. The meeting took place in November 2017 in vise president's office where Mr. Byrne advised Mr. Gerzhgorin to speak for himself and refused to give any reason for dismissal. Later he confirmed: "We don't think you were a good fit to the program." Defendant's stated reasons for the termination of employment are a pretext for unlawful discrimination based on religion and age.

- 27. Circa October 16, 2017, Mr. Gerzhgorin learned that since August when another social worker over 40 Larisa Tsekhanskaya has been fired, defendant hired two new social workers. All selectees were under 40. Shortly before Ms. Tsekhanskaya's termination her supervisor told her: "You are moving too slow. I didn't know that you are much older than you look." Mr. Gerzhgorin and Ms. Tsekhanskaya came on board in July 2017, they were the only non-supervisory licensed social workers (LMSW) at that time and they were over 40. Defendant engaged in a pattern of making employment decisions based upon the youth and appearance of employees in violation of their rights under Title VII, the ADEA. Defendant breaks law by firing older workers for young ones.
- 28. Defendant displays lack of professional vision and respect to clients' needs by not hiring or discharging descendants of Holocaust survivors who are highly educated, experienced and licensed social workers. Ms. Tsekhanskaya, an observant Jew and a descendant of Holocaust survivor, was terminated shortly after raising her voice about cultural approach in August 2017, one month later after coming on board.
- 29. Defendant shows protectionism and favoritism by hiring less educated and less experienced social workers, who have little or no knowledge of Jewish history, culture, traditions. Mikhail Radchenko, an Orthodox Jew, a descendant of a Holocaust survivor, a native Russian speaker who applied for Social Worker/Community Worker MSW/BSW, Brooklyn, Bilingual-English/Russian position in September 2017 received an email from HR: "We enjoyed having the

opportunity to meet you and discuss your credentials. While we were most impressed, we have identified another candidate whose background and experience better meets the requirements for this job." Upon information and belief, "another candidate" is Gulnara, a girl from Azerbaijan and Russian is not her native language. She came to this country a few years ago, has little or no relevant experience, knowledge of the Holocaust, Jewish values and traditions. She has little knowledge about anti-Semitic prejudice and discrimination Holocaust survivors came through.

She met with her now to be SW supervisor Ms. Wooley while in a graduate school.

- 30. Defendant ridicules Jewish values by criticizing kashrut observant employees for not attending non-kosher restaurants to celebrate supervisor's birthdays.
- 31. Defendant shows lack of cultural sensitivity by allowing bias and disparaging comments about
  Jews at a workplace. Ms. Khachatryan was overheard (by Mr. Gerzhgorin and co-workers)
  saying: "They lost their faith after the Holocaust", "Someone fell down and passed out during
  the coffeehouse event at Ave. M they continued eating", "If you are a descendant of
  Holocaust survivors, you are not entitled to anything", "They eat pork..." Ms. Wooley was
  overheard saying: "They are not traditional", "We serve kosher food at social events only
  because they take place at a Jewish center." Another social worker Laimute Kavaliauskiene
  loudly stated: "They get divorced to get more benefits", "They used to complain in Soviet Union,
  now they complain here." On another instance when Ms. Kavaliauskiene talked to a social work
  intern, she made disparaging comments about Orthodox Jews: "They cheat on their wives
  because they are always pregnant," "They go to a Russian bathhouse and stare at women."
- 32. Upon information and belief, after Mr. Gerzhgorin's departure his former supervisors spread defamation that he was fired for actively searching another employment while at work causing Mr. Gerzhgorin further damage after his termination by injuring job opportunities for which he applied and will apply in future. Defendant knew that Mr. Gerzhgorin would be looking for a

new job after termination, however, has not provided him with separation agreement on how Selfhelp will respond to employment inquiries. The loss of future employment opportunities has caused Mr. Gerzhgorin current and future permanent damage to his career and reputation.